

FISH SCARCE.

Reports from Grand Bankers Not Encouraging.

Sch. Edith McIntyre at St. Peters Ordered Home.

A despatch from Sydney, under date of Wednesday says:

Sch. Edith M. McIntyre of Boothbay, Me., Captain Churchill, is in at St. Peters for repairs to her rigging, which was carried away in a recent storm on the Grand Banks. Capt. Churchill reports that the fish have never been so scarce on the Banks as now. The Edith has only 800 quintals, which represents her season's catch from May last, in comparison with 3500 and 4000 quintals for a season of two or three months in former years. The vessel has been ordered home by her owners. Other vessels arriving from the Banks also report fish very scarce and stormy weather prevalent. Nearly all are returning home with less than half fares for a much longer season than usual. It is feared that the fishermen in Newfoundland will experience an exceptionally hard winter.

PORTLAND FISHERIES.

Few Mackerel Landed But Wind Bothers Netters.

A little activity of short duration was started among the local fish dealers yesterday caused by the arrival of a few vessels of the draggers fleet, each with a small catch of mackerel, the largest being about 500 lbs., and later in the afternoon a few of the other small boats were added to the list. The entire catch amounted to about a few thousand pounds, but was very acceptable to the dealers owing to the great scarcity of fish for the past week.

The catch would in all probability have been large, but it was blowing hard outside, and the fishermen were not able to do much on the grounds when they struck the fish. Others were forced to take in the nets that were set during the early evening. One vessel took in their net as early as 9 o'clock at night.

A mackerel shark caught in the nets of the sch. Dreadnaught and landed at Custom House wharf attracted much attention.

OFF NO MAN'S LAND.

Some Mackerel Sighted Off There Last Night.

Strong Wind Prevented Making a Set.

A special to the TIMES from its correspondent of Newport this morning reports the following vessels there:

Schs. Miranda, Braganza, Mertis H. Perry, Bessie M. Devine, Marguerite Haskins, Mary E. Harty, Rival, Seaconnet, Glenelg, Mist and Faustina.

The Haskins set at schools of fish off No Man's Land last night, but it was blowing fresh and she missed them. The captain reports seeing some fish off No Man's Land.

The receipts of European salt mackerel for the week have been: At Boston, 309 bbls. from Ireland; at New York, 465 bbls. from Ireland, and 219 bbls from Holland; at Philadelphia, 500 bbls. from Ireland; total, 1493 bbls.

Yesterday afternoon the sloop Magnolia arrived at T wharf, Boston, with 630 large fresh mackerel. The fish were quickly disposed of at 20 cents each.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Natalie B. Nickerson, Maine coast, seining, 166 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Laura Doone, Georges, 40,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. William H. Cross, Rips, 30,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Marsala, Georges, 18,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Edwin B. Holmes, Georges, 30,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Louis Polleys, Georges, 25,000 lbs. cod.

Steamer Alice M. Jacobs, seining.

Sch. Ralph Russell, Georges, 30,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Illinois, La Have Bank, 2000 lbs. fresh cod, 6000 lbs. haddock, 80,000 lbs. hake.

Sch. S. R. Lane, Rips, 30,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. J. E. Garland, Georges, 35,000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Little Sadie, shore.

Sch. Yankee, shore.

Sch. John M. Plummer, seining, shore.

Sch. Lucy E., netting, shore.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Rebecca Bartlett, Georges, 9000 lbs. cod.

Sch. Valentina, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Odd Fellow, herring, shore.

Sch. Pluribastah, herring, shore.

Sch. Two Sisters, herring, shore.

Sch. M. S. Ayer, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Esther Gray, netting, shore.

Sch. David Sherman, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Nellie Dixon, seining, shore.

Sch. Bertha May, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, shore.

Sch. Venus, herring, shore.

Sch. Esperanza, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Mettacomett, shore.

Sch. Blanche Irving, seining, shore.

Sch. Alena, netting, shore.

Sch. Mary Edith, via Boston.

Sch. John W. Keen, via Boston.

Sch. Triton, Georges.

Sch. Fitz A. Oakes, shore, netting.

Sch. Dauntless, shore, netting.

Sch. Saladin, seining, shore.

Sch. Thomas Brundage, via Boston.

Sch. Lucy B. Windsor, shore.

Sch. Nickerson, pollocking, shore.

Sch. Joseph Warren, pollocking, shore.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Addie M. Story, whiting.

Sch. Viking, shore fishing.

Sch. Agnes V. Gleason, haddocking.

Today's Market.

Board of trade prices: Large headline Georges cod, \$4.25 per cwt. medium do., \$3.50; large trawl Georges, \$4.00; medium do., \$3.25; headline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable, \$4.00; medium do., \$3.25; large trawl bank cod, \$3.50; medium do., \$3.00; large dory headline cod, \$3.75; medium do., \$3.25.

Board of Trade splitting prices on fresh fish—All cod caught on Le Have Bank and to the westward, large \$2.25; medium, \$1.70; all cod caught to the eastward of Le Have Bank large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.70; snapper cod fish, 40 cts.; cusk, \$1.60; snapper cusk, 40 cts. haddock, \$1.00; hake, \$1.10; pollock, 60 cts.

Outside sales Georges cod, \$4.50 per hundred weight for large and \$3.50 for medium.

Outside sales Rips cod, \$4.15 per hundred weight for large and \$3.55 for medium.

Outside sale fresh fish, large cod, \$2.25; market cod, \$1.75; cusk, \$1.60; hake, \$1.15.

Salt mackerel, \$19.00 per barrel.

Flitted halibut 7 3/4 cts. per lb.

Boston.

Sch. Laura Enos, 10,000 pollock.

Sch. Freedom, 600 mackerel.

Sch. Cherokee, 100 mackerel.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 25,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 25,000 hake.

Sch. Oliver F. Kilham, 20,000 haddock, 10,000 cod.

Sch. Gertrude, 8000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Helen F. Gleason, 1400 haddock, 15,000 cod.

Sch. Jennie and Agnes, 25,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Fish Hawk, 3000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 2000 hake, 1000 cusk, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Flavilla, 18,000 haddock, 25,000 cod.

Sch. Gracie, 400 mackerel.

Sch. Dixie, 800 mackerel.

Sch. Mary A. Whalen.

Sch. Oliver Sears, 13,000 pollock.

Sch. Mary J. Ward, 9000 pollock.

Sch. Marion, 5000 pollock.

Sch. Belle Franklin, 18,000 pollock.

Sch. Fannie Belle Atwood, 10,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 10,000 hake, 8000 cusk.

Sch. Pythian, 20,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 500 hake, 1100 pollock.

Sch. Regina, 2000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 9000 hake, 2,000 cusk.

Sch. Vidia M. Brigham, 20,000 haddock, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Philip Manta, 25,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Metamora, 40,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 000 hake.

Sch. William A. Morse, 6000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 hake.

Sch. Clara R. Harwood, 15,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 9000 hake.

Sch. Francis Whalen, 14,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 9000 hake.

Sch. Little Fannie, 1100 mackerel.

Sch. Viola, 100 mackerel.

Sch. Maxwell, 4 swordfish.

Sch. Angeline, 700 mackerel.

Sch. Venus, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Ignatius Enos, 6000 pollock.

Haddock, \$1.50 to \$1.75; large cod, \$3 to \$3.50; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2.25; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$1.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Columbia, Fernwood, Theodore Roosevelt, Maud M. Story, Meteor, were at Canso on Thursday.

Sch. Independence sailed from Louisburg on Sept. 30.

Sch. Colonial was at Liverpool on Friday.

FROM MAINE COAST.

Capt. Eben Lewis Secures Fare of Mackerel.

Will Make Good Stock at Present Prices.

Capt. Eben T. Lewis of sch. Natalie B. Nickerson, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon with a salt mackerel fare of 166 barrels.

The Nickerson has been fishing off the Maine coast and has done very well, although Capt. Lewis reports that the fish are very scarce, while the schools have been small, the largest that he has taken at one time being 100 barrels.

He reports that there is no fish off No Man's Land, while the prospects in the sound are encouraging.

Capt. Lewis secured the fare which he brought to port yesterday in ten days, capturing about 20 schools.

A short time ago he landed 302 barrels at Boothbay, and at that time received an offer of \$14 per barrel. He decided to store them until the price had advanced, the result being that he will now get about \$20 a barrel.

Up to the present he figures his stock up to about \$24,500 against \$26,000 this time last year. The men have shared a little over \$500 each.

Tinkers, or small mackerel, are very plentiful in North Sydney harbor at present, and are being taken in with hook and line at many of the wharves.

Sch. S. F. Maker, of Gloucester, sailed from Port Mulgrave recently for North Bay.

This morning the boats took about 4000 fresh mackerel into Boston. T Wharf buyers are offering 18 1/2 cents each, while the boats are asking 19 cents.